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| First Named Inventor:          | Paul J. Hergenrother   | U.S. Application No.: 10/595,360 |
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| Title:                         | METHODS OF DETECTING POLY (ADP-RIBOSE) POLYMERASE AND OTHER NAD <sup>+</sup> UTILIZING ENZYMES | Confirmation No.: 8169           |

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

M.S. Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This communication responds to the Office Action mailed on April 27, 2009. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the rejections in view of the following amendment and remarks.